

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 9, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 102 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)  
Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)  
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)  
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)  
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)  
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)  
Rep. Kenneth Holmlund (R)  
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)  
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)  
Rep. Mitch Tropila (D)  
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Ryan Osmundson, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Katya Grover, Committee Secretary  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 202, 2/5/2015; HB 314, 2/5/2015  
Executive Action: HB 120; HB 145; HB 146; HB 155

**HEARING ON HB 202**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:24 Rep. Bryce Bennett (D), HD 91, opened the hearing on HB 202, Allow for optional DUI prevention contribution on vehicle registration form.

**[EXHIBIT\(aph29a01\)](#)**

00:02:10 Rep. Brodehl arrived.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:03:55 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association (MCTA)

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:06:40 Rep. Tropila  
00:07:07 Ronda Wiggers, MCTA  
00:07:40 Rep. Woods  
00:08:01 Rep. Bennett  
00:08:33 Chair Ballance  
00:08:52 Rep. Bennett

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:09:36 Rep. Bennett

**HEARING ON HB 314**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:10:13 Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 314, Expand Montana Schools of Promise initiative.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:15:16 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)  
00:19:26 Anthony Whitedirt, Northern Cheyenne Tribe (NCT)

**[EXHIBIT\(aph29a02\)](#)**

00:21:56 Dan McGee, Pryor School District 2 & 3 (PSD 2 & 3)  
00:25:52 Marco Ferro, Director, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

**[EXHIBIT\(aph29a03\)](#)**

00:27:38 Matt Kuntz, National Alliance For The Mentally Ill Montana (NAMI)  
00:29:14 L. Jace Killback, Northern Cheyenne Tribe (NCT)  
00:32:39 Linda Pease-Brien, Wyola School District 29 (WSD 29)

**Opponents' Testimony:** none

**Informational Testimony:** none

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:38:36 Rep. Tschida  
00:38:56 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:40:04 Rep. Tschida  
00:40:35 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:41:01 Rep. Ehli  
00:41:47 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
00:42:20 Rep. Ehli  
00:42:39 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
00:43:15 Rep. Ehli  
00:43:55 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:45:58 Rep. Brodehl  
00:46:49 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:47:26 Rep. Brodehl  
00:47:33 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:48:41 Rep. Brodehl  
00:49:07 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:48:55 Rep. Osmundson arrived.  
00:50:23 Rep. Brodehl  
00:50:31 Rep. McCarthy  
00:50:44 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:51:27 Rep. McCarthy  
00:51:44 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:51:49 Rep. Dudik  
00:52:00 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:53:47 Rep. Dudik  
00:53:59 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:55:37 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:56:14 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:56:44 Rep. Burnett  
00:56:53 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:56:57 Rep. Burnett  
00:57:07 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:57:54 Rep. Burnett  
00:58:02 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:58:14 Mandy Smoker Broddes, OPI  
00:58:59 Rep. Burnett  
00:59:06 Mandy Smoker Broddes, OPI  
00:59:24 Rep. Holmlund  
00:59:40 Denise Juneau, State Superintendent, OPI  
00:59:52 Mandy Smoker Broddes, OPI  
01:02:08 Rep. Holmlund  
01:02:24 Mandy Smoker Broddes, OPI  
01:02:44 Rep. Cuffe  
01:03:03 Mandy Smoker Broddes, OPI

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:03:58 Rep. Pease-Lopez

01:06:05 Chair Ballance  
01:06:52 Recess  
01:15:34 Reconvened. Rep. Jones was not present.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 120**

01:15:53 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Osmundson moved that **HB 120 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 12-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Tropila and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Jones voted by proxy.  
  
01:17:01 Rep. Jones returned.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 145**

01:17:19 **Motion:** Rep. Osmundson moved that **HB 145 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:17:32 Rep. Ellis

01:17:59 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 146**

01:19:04 **Motion:** Rep. Osmundson moved that **HB 146 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:19:15 Rep. McCarthy

01:20:07 Chair Ballance

01:20:20 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Woods moved that **HB 146 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 15-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Burnett, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hagstrom and Rep. Tschida voting no.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 155**

01:22:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Osmundson moved that **HB 155 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 12-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Tropila and Rep. Woods voting no.

01:23:19 Chair Ballance

01:23:22 Rep. Ellis

01:23:37 Chair Ballance

**ADJOURNMENT**

01:24:31      Adjournment

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Katya Grover, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([aph29aad.pdf](#))